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The Applicant herewith submits pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1) the enclosed Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c). Applicant respectfully submits that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a final office action or before the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and requests that the references cited in the enclosed form PTO-1449 be made

of record in the above-captioned application. The Applicant states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

While no representation is made that any of these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed list of references is disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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Since all listed references are either in the English language or are accompanied by a translation into English, no concise explanation of relevance is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3).

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